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FOREIGN AND INSULAR.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Cofer authorized to act as president of the Territorial board of health of Hawaii.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Cofer was authorized, April 13, with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, to act as president of the Territorial board of health of Hawaii, without compensation, and in addition to his duties as chief quarantine officer. The approval was given on request addressed April 9 to the Bureau by the governor of Hawaii.

BARBADOS.

Report from Bridgetown—Yellow fever in vicinity.

Consul Clare reports, March 13:

A case of yellow fever was officially reported March 9 as occurring on March 7 about one and one-half miles from Bridgetown. A fatal case was reported to-day which occurred March 11, about 9 miles from Bridgetown.

Since January 29, 8 cases have been reported, 5 of which resulted fatally.

BRAZIL.

Report from Rio de Janeiro—Inspection of vessels—Mortality—Smallpox.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Stewart reports March 12:

Week ended March 8. Vessels inspected and bills of health issued by this consulate-general: March 4, the British steamship *Tennyson*, for New York, with a cargo of coffee, 11 cabin and 4 steerage passengers, and with 2 new members of the crew; March 6, the British steamship *Ocean Prince*, for New Orleans, with a cargo of coffee, no passengers, and no change in the personnel.

Mortality.—Week ended March 8. Total deaths, 303. There were no deaths nor cases caused by yellow fever or plague. For the first time in more than a year there have been no cases nor deaths from plague in two successive weeks. Smallpox caused 23 deaths with 38 new reported cases. At the close of the week there were in the Hospital São Sebastião, 63 cases of smallpox under treatment, and 23 cases of suspicious illness under observation. No cases of plague or yellow fever were in the hospital.